Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 31 Jan 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 01 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 31 Jan 2023 at 02:53 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Tuesday and Wednesday. High for changeable weather to continue for the rest of the week with less cold weather becoming established on Thursday for a time.

Headline for Tuesday 31 Jan 2023: Cold and very windy with frequent snow showers

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 31 Jan 2023

Blizzards Medium Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
60%	60%	60%	60%	70%	70%

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Weather: West to northwesterly gales will bring sunny intervals and frequent snow or hail showers throughout the day, occasionally heavy at times. Snow will be blowing around in the wind with a risk of whiteout conditions at times. Bitterly cold at height in the wind.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, best chance across Upper Deeside

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor in snow and low cloud, cloud down to 750 metres as showers pass by.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	56/65 W	56/65 W	50/62 W	49/61 W	44/55 W	44/56 W	46/59 W
900	40/48 W	39/49 W	37/50 W	35/47 W	32/44 W	32/44 W	34/47 W
600	27/44 W	27/44 W	25/43 W	24/42 W	23/39 W	22/39 W	24/42 W
300	16/34 W	15/33 W	16/35 W	16/35 W	13/29 W	13/30 W	14/32 W
Glen	15/32 W	13/29 W	17/35 W	17/35 W	13/28 W	13/29 W	14/30 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-3/-14	-6/-18	-5/-16	-5/-16	-4/-15	-4/-15	-5/-16
900	-1/-10	-4/-14	-3/-13	-3/-12	-3/-12	-3/-12	-3/-12
600	1/-7	-1/-9	-1/-8	-0/-8	-0/-8	-0/-8	-1/-8
300	3/-2	1/-4	2/-4	3/-2	2/-3	2/-3	2/-3
Glen	4/-0	2/-4	3/-2	4/-1	3/-2	2/-2	3/-2
Freezing Level*	600m	300m	300m	400m	400m	400m	300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Very strong winds will make for slow progress and severe wind chill.

Forecast for Wednesday 01 Feb 2023
Weather: Snow showers in the morning period, frequent at first. Becoming drier by the afternoon. Further spells of rain or summit snow may spread northeast later in the evening.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30 mph with gusts of 40 to 50 mph on the higher tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low Cloud and visibility: Cloud down to 700 metres as showers by pass otherwise very good visibility with only small amounts of cloud on the tops.

Temperature: **Glens:** 0 Celsius rising to 6 Celsius
At 800m: 0 to 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 800 metres, perhaps rising above summit level in the evening.

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